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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

This amendment is in response to the outstanding Office Action mailed March 27, 2003, in the above-identified application, having a THREE (3) month period for response which expired June 27, 2003. A Petition to Extend Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for one (1) month, up to and including Monday July 28, 2003 is enclosed. Please charge the one-month extension fee, as a large entity, to Deposit Account No. 13-2755. In the event any additional extension of time is required, please treat this paper as a request under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to extend the time as required, and charge Deposit Account No. 13-2755 the appropriate fee as a large entity.

Applicants respectfully request the following amendments be entered and the claims considered in light thereof

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 9, 13, 14, 27, and 29 without prejudice.